

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Examiner: Jennifer Ann Dunston
Hering, <i>et al.</i>)	
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Serial No.: 10/623,914)	Art Unit: 1636
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Filed: 07/21/2003)	Confirmation No.: 5367
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For: PROBES FOR CHONDROGENESIS)	Attorney Docket No.: 27708/04065

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

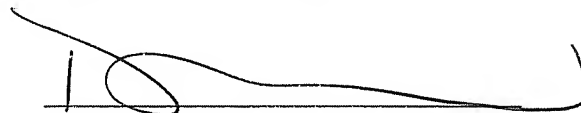
Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 8, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, Claims 8-14, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding CZF-2 protein, classified in class 536, subclass 23.5. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants request a five-month extension of time up to and including September 8, 2006, within which to file this Response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the small entity extension fee of \$1,080.00 to Deposit Account No. 03-0172.

Respectfully submitted,

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